

WEATHER.

Cloudy tonight and tomorrow, probably showers of warmer tonight; moderate southerly winds.
Temperature for twenty-four hours ending 5 p.m.: Highest, 75, 5 p.m.; lowest, 48, at 5:30 a.m. today.
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COLONEL WITNESS IN THE RIGGS CASE

Former President Will Testify
for Defense Upon Arrival
Tomorrow Morning.

TO BE IN THE CAPITAL
ONLY A FEW HOURS

Counsel Have Tilt Over Amount of
Evidence Introduced by the
Government.

The government rested its case in the Riggs bank trial at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon. No motion was made and the defense immediately proceeded to call its witnesses. The first was Owen T. Reeves, president of Grover's National Bank of Chicago, a former bank examiner, who advised Messrs. Glover, Platter and Platter to open the commission account in their own names.

Theodore Roosevelt, former President of the United States, is to appear tomorrow morning in the trial of present and former Riggs National Bank officials accused by the government of perjury in swearing that the bank did not deal in stocks and bonds. The former President will be a witness as to the character and integrity of Charles C. Glover, who is under indictment, and there are expected to be many other distinguished witnesses for the same purpose, including Henry White, former ambassador to France, who accompanied Mr. Glover to court this morning, and will be called later.

Former President William H. Taft testified as to Mr. Glover's integrity and character last week.

Will Arrive Tomorrow.

Col. Roosevelt, according to a telegram received today in Criminal Division 1, where the trial is being held, will leave New York at midnight and will arrive in Washington tomorrow morning at 7:30 o'clock. He is to take breakfast at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Longworth and after testifying in the Riggs trial will leave for New York at 11 a.m.

Because of the fact that part of this advance was credited to the Riggs bank, through the commission account of the bank's officials, the government introduces the correspondence in an effort to show the character of the account, although the defense is objecting to its introduction on the ground that the correspondence and the account it covers have nothing to do with the question of whether or not the Riggs bank bought and sold stocks and bonds.

Have Tilt Over Evidence.

Tilts between counsel for both sides, which began the moment the court crier gavel dropped at the opening of the trial this morning, were the result of an inability of counsel to agree during the adjournment since Friday as to how much further evidence should be presented by the prosecution.

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ROOSEVELT FACTOR, G. O. P. WILL ADMIT

Believe It Impossible, However, Him to Stampede Convention.

THINK HE WOULD FIGURE
IN SELECTION OF TICKET

Republican Leaders Say Colonel Has
That End in View by Efforts to
Increase His Prestige.

Here is summarization of the cold judgment of some of the prominent republican politicians in Congress as to the purpose and probable effect of the latest effort in behalf of the nomination by the regular republicans of Col. Roosevelt.

First, they believe that it will be impossible for the Roosevelt enthusiasts to stampede the regular convention for him and they are not yet prepared to admit that his nomination by general consent is advisable.

Second, they think that Col. Roosevelt realizes this, but is sanctioning the efforts in his behalf, in order to increase his prestige with the regulars, magnify his power in council between the regulars and facilitate his plan to dominate the framing of the platform, and be a factor in the selection of the ticket.

Regular republicans are willing that he should play a prominent part in both roles; indeed, he will be consulted, as a consideration of primary political common sense, with harmony in view.

Kept Before the Public.

In the opinion of these cool-headed regulars, the Detroit speech of the colonel and the Meyer-Loeb pronouncement issued yesterday are efforts calculated to keep the colonel prominently before the public and to swell his importance as a factor in republican politics.

What these regulars would give a pretty to know, however, is in whose favor will the colonel exert his admitted influence when it comes to choosing a candidate for President—Hughes or Root, Fairbanks or Burton, Weeks or McCall, Cummins or Harding? It would seem to be for the former, for the colonel will not throw it to Henry Ford.

Mr. Hughes' friends expect him to bring into line back of the justice when the time comes. They say that when President Mr. Roosevelt was largely responsible for the renomination of Mr. Hughes for the New York governorship, and that the entire record of Gov. Hughes is in line with progressive principles and ideas.

May Find Root Acceptable.

Elihu Root, then? Personally, so far as his own feelings are concerned, it is thought the colonel would find Mr. Root acceptable on a thoroughly progressive platform. And right here let it be said with emphasis that the republican platform is to be a model of progressive thought. But, as stated in the Star yesterday, the colonel is entertaining doubts whether he could control his followers who "remember the Maine" and that is to say, the fact that Elihu Root was chairman of the convention which nominated Taft, and which the bullmoosers bolted.

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EXPERTS TO TESTIFY ON WAITE'S SANITY

Prosecution Ready to Combat
Defense Plea at New
Yorker's Trial.

WIFE WILL BE WITNESS
AGAINST THE ACCUSED

State Has Three Alienists and 115
Others to Give Evidence of
Mental Condition.

NEW YORK, May 22.—The task of selecting a jury to try Dr. Arthur Warren Waite for the murder of his father-in-law, John E. Peck, millionaire drug manufacturer of Grand Rapids, Mich., was completed shortly before 1:30 o'clock today.

NEW YORK, May 22.—Four alienists headed the throng of witnesses gathered in the criminal branch of the supreme court today for the trial of Dr. Arthur Warren Waite. The young New York dentist, sportsman and man-about-town is charged with murder in the first degree—poisoning his father-in-law, John E. Peck, a wealthy manufacturer of Grand Rapids, Mich. Since he has confessed the deed, the prosecution believes the defense will rely on a plea of insanity to combat this testimony the state has engaged three medical experts and summoned 115 witnesses who knew the defendant at different periods of his career, many of them to testify that his behavior in their presence had shown no signs of mental abnormality. The defense has summoned one alienist.

Waite, clean shaven and neatly dressed in a blue suit, was brought into the courtroom a few minutes after the arrival of Percy Peck, his brother-in-law, and the latter's wife, the prisoner's second wife, Mrs. Mary Peck. Walter R. Deuel and Joseph F. Crater, who were the defense attorneys, Mrs. Clara Louise Peck Waite, wife of the accused, and John E. Peck, Jr., a son of the deceased, were also present. The defense has summoned one alienist.

Crowd in the Courtroom.

A crowd was gathered about the criminal court building, but owing to an extra panel of the talesmen and a large number of witnesses few persons not connected with the case were admitted to the courtroom.

That the defense has its greatest reliance upon the plea of insanity was early disclosed by Mr. Deuel. In interrogating talesmen he inquired as to whether the defendant was in the act of evidence calculated to show the prisoner was "not well mentally" at the time he administered germ cultures of deadly diseases to his seventy-two-year-old father-in-law, as he has already confessed.

Selection of the jury proceeded slowly and out of the first twelve talesmen interrogated, only three were accepted.

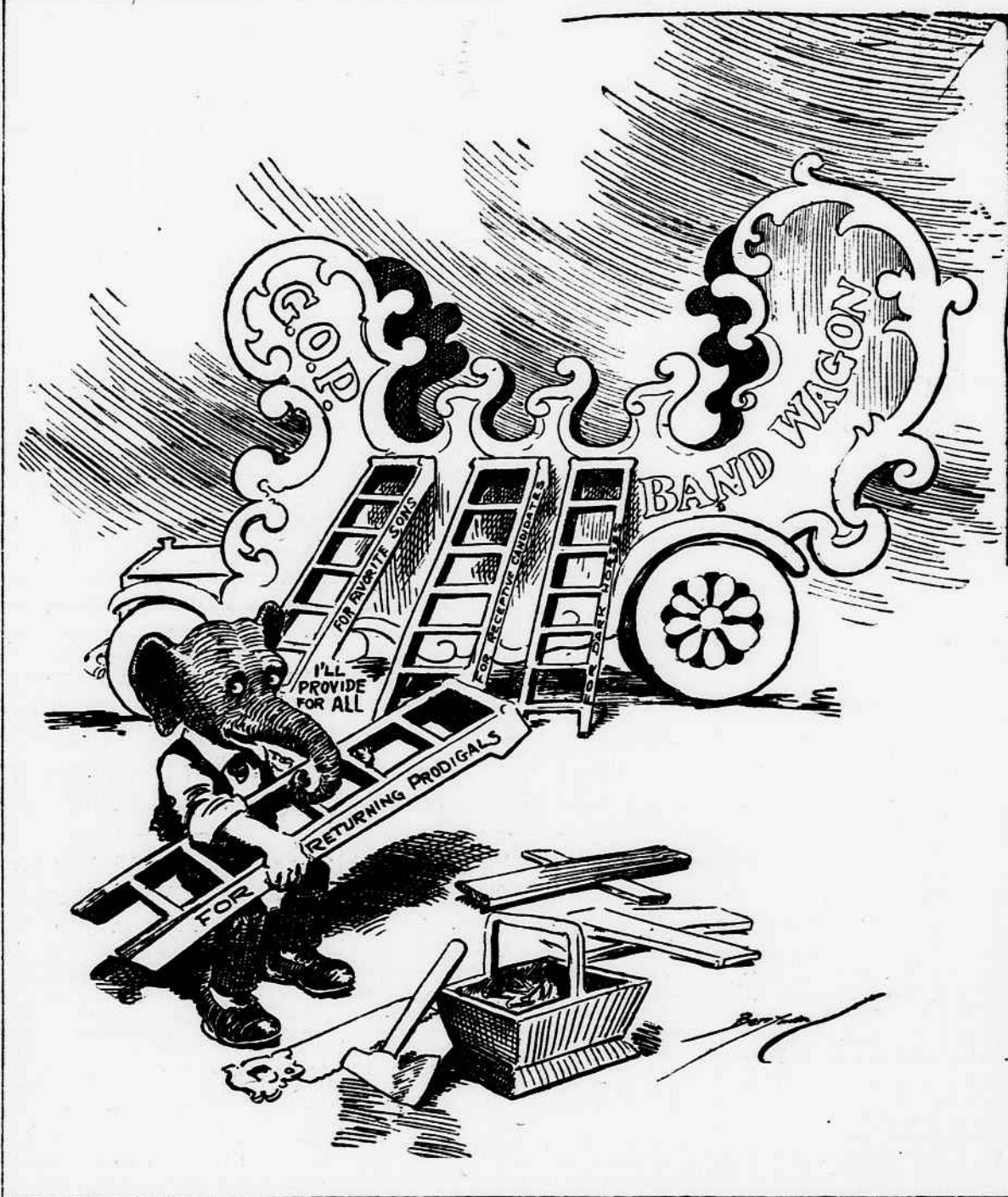
Robert Neill, a mechanical engineer, foreman; Peter Hebel, a cheese merchant, and Edward S. Peck, who gave his occupation as a superintendent. The other jurors finally accepted were: Paul D. Cass, a retired engineer; Thomas Widdecombe, accountant; James N. Jeffares, manager; Stephen A. Donnelly, real estate; Joseph H. Trant, a writer, completed the jury.

The twelfth juror was in the box three hours after the first talesman was examined. Seldom has a trial of this magnitude moved so rapidly. It was said that the most interesting figures at the trial next to the prisoner himself, will be his wife, Mrs. Mary Peck, and a young New York singer with whom Waite occupied at times a "studio" at an uptown hotel. Altogether the state has subpoenaed 115 witnesses. Extra panels of 250 talesmen have been summoned and the death of Mr. Peck, which before a jury is selected.

Son Warned by Telegraph.

Dr. Peck, the alleged murder victim, and his wife came to New York shortly after Christmas of last year to visit their daughter and son-in-law. The second week in January Mr. Peck became ill and January 30 she died in the Waite apartment. At Waite's suggestion her body was taken to Detroit and cremated. Because of this fact the prosecution sought an indictment against the son-in-law only in connection with the death of Mr. Peck, which took place March 12.

The very day he was to be buried at an uptown hotel, the state received from New York the following telegram: "The identity of the person who administered poison to both Mr. and Mrs. Peck. The death of the former was attributed to arsenic."



AUSTRIANS OCCUPY ARMENTARA RIDGE

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Driving Italians Back Across
Their Own Border.

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TO MEET TOMORROW

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While nothing is known of the conclusions that may have been reached, hope is expressed by District officials that the bill will provide for the pensioning of firemen at one-half the salary received for active service.

Ratio Obtains Elsewhere.

This proportion is observed by practically every large city in the country, and it is believed that Congress will not desire to do otherwise than place District firemen on an equal basis with those in other municipalities.

Need of proper pension legislation for members of these branches of the public service has been before Congress for several years and has aroused the attention of firemen's associations throughout the country, which are petitioning members of Congress to enact a satisfactory law at this session.

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MAJ. TRY HUNDRED TEXAS GUARDSMEN

Military Authorities to Punish
Failure to Do Mexican
Border Service.

REFUSED TO TAKE OATH
ON PRESIDENT'S CALL

State Department Expects Note
From Carranza on Boundary Situation to Arrive Tomorrow.

More than 100 members of the Texas National Guard who refused to take the mustering oath into the federal service under President Wilson's recent call probably will be tried by military court-martial.

While the matter is still under consideration by the judge advocate general and no recommendations have yet been made to Secretary Baker, it was indicated by officials today that drastic action would be taken in order to establish definitely the status of the state soldiers.

Mobilization Nearly Completed.

The mobilization of the guardsmen of the three border states is nearing completion, according to reports today. Final figures on the number of men sworn into the federal service are expected within a day or two. No case of refusal to take the mustering oath has been reported from the New Mexico or Arizona mobilization camps.

Under the present militia law National Guardsmen are subject to compulsory service in the federal forces when called out for duty with the United States. Failure to respond is punishable by fine after trial by military court, but the act is not held to be so far as the study of the situation by War Department officials has yet proceeded, however, the act cannot be compelled to serve after they have paid the fine.

Carranza Note Due Tomorrow.

The State Department has been advised that a new note from Gen. Carranza on the border situation tomorrow will reach Washington today or tomorrow. It will be transmitted through Eliseo Arredondo, the Carranza ambassador. Special Agent Rodgers at Mexico City has been unable as yet to report what phase of the situation has called forth the new communication.

Border reports have advised the State Department that Carranza officials in Mexico City feel the border situation is less critical than it was some time ago. It is possible that the new note deals with the Glenn Springs raid. Representations were made by the state Department to Carranza officials to call the attention of the Carranza government to the facts.

May Refer to Second Expedition.

It is probable that the new American expedition sent over the line after the raid may be the cause of the coming note. Secretary Baker said today that the Scott-O'Brien understanding in no way limited the pursuit of bandits. Reports insist that Col. Sibley, commanding the new expedition, is already withdrawing his forces to the American side, and that the State Department had not so advised the War Department. He added, however, that the question was wholly in Gen. Funston's hands.

U. S. TROOPER WOUNDED
BY MEXICAN BANDITS

FIELD HEADQUARTERS, Mexico, May 20, via wireless to Columbus, N. M., May 22.—Thirteen troopers of the 7th Cavalry were fired upon yesterday near the town of Temascal and one was wounded. The attack is ascribed to bandits hiding under a bridge near the town, which is a few miles southeast of Madera, on the Mexico-Northwestern railway.

A few shots the Mexicans fled and the Americans continued on their way.

A small group of Mexicans is falling behind the American columns as they move northward, keeping out of sight, but telling the natives that they are chasing the "gringos" from Mexican soil. They stop whenever the Americans halt, and hide or disarm if Gen. Pershing's men approach them.

SOME ANXIETY FELT
FOR MAJ. LANGHORNE

Gen. Funston, However, Inclined to
Regard Sniping From Rear as
of Little Consequence.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., May 22.—Some anxiety as to the situation in which the American troops south of Bogalusa were displayed at Gen. Funston's headquarters early today. No official reports indicating hostile movements of any band near Col. Sibley's two troops of the 14th Cavalry had been received, and when last accounted for, Maj. Langhorne and his two troops of the 8th Cavalry were moving northward to join Col. Sibley. It is proven that the little punitive column is in danger, it is probable a force of the 6th Cavalry, that has just arrived in the Big Bend district, will be used as a reinforcement.

Officers at department headquarters were inclined to regard the sniping, to which the rear guard of Gen. Pershing's troops had been subjected, as the action of a reduced force of Villistas, and relatively unimportant.

Bakers on Trial for Conspiracy.

TOLEDO, Ohio, May 22.—Nine bakers, representing all of Toledo's wholesale baking institutions, are booked to go on trial today under indictments returned by a grand jury several months ago. The bakers are charged with conspiracy to increase the price of bread.

DESPERATE ATTACK ON DEAD MAN HILL, THE KEY TO VERDUN

Greatest of Battles Enters on
Its Fourth Month, With
Fury Unabated.

PARIS REPORTS A CHECK
TO PROGRESS OF ENEMY

Crown Prince Said to Have Failed in
Effort to Recapture Haudromont Quarry.

HUGE LOSSES ARE SUFFERED
Teutons Cling Tenaciously to Captured Trenches and Press Determinedly on for Further Advantage.

LONDON, May 22.—Fighting of the most intense character is in progress in the Dead Man hill region northwest of Verdun, where the Germans are desperately battling to break down the French defense and gain undisputed possession of this commanding eminence and the other key position to the Verun fortress—Hill 304.

This afternoon's Paris bulletin records the repulse of renewed attacks by the crown prince's troops west of Dead Man hill, where the German lines were advanced Saturday night as the result of furious assaults.

Paris also claims the capture during last night of several blockhouses that were held by the Germans in the Avocourt wood, southwest of Hill 304, and the beating off of German attempts to recapture the Haudromont quarry, east of the Meuse, near Douaumont, which the French took yesterday.

Advantage for French Claimed.

PARIS, May 22, 12:15 p.m.—French grenadiers occupied several blockhouses in Avocourt wood, on the Verdun front, in the course of severe fighting last night.

The struggle was of Dead Man hill was terrific. The war office statement of this afternoon says that the attacks of German infantry were repulsed.

East of the Meuse infantry fighting occurred at the Haudromont quarries, captured yesterday by the French. The Germans attacked these positions, and the statement asserts, were repulsed with heavy losses.

Official French Statement.

The statement follows: "South of the Meuse: French forces exploded two mines with success at Hill 108.

"In the Champagne district a gas attack by the Germans was without result. This emission of gas was in the zone between the road from Souain to Somme-Py and the road from Sainte Hilaire to Sainte Souple. No sooner had the cloud of gas started than an unexpected turn in the direction of the wind drove it back upon the trenches of the enemy."

"On the left bank of the River Meuse infantry fighting continued last night. In the wood of Avocourt our grenadiers secured some advantages and occupied several blockhouses evacuated by the enemy."

"In the region west of Dead Man hill the fighting has been particularly fierce. Our troops have repulsed attacks made by the enemy to further their progress have been checked by our machine guns. A vigorous attack by our troops made it possible for us to recapture a portion of the ground lost during the night of May 20-21."

Checked by Curtain of Fire.

"On the right bank of the Meuse the Germans have delivered repeated counter attacks upon the positions at the Haudromont quarry captured by the French yesterday. Each of these attacks was checked by the action of our machine guns. A vigorous attack by our troops made it possible for us to recapture a portion of the ground lost during the night of May 20-21."

"This morning aeroplanes of the enemy threw down bombs on Dunkirk. On the nights of May 20, 21 and 22 several operations were conducted by groups of French aviators. Shells were successfully thrown down upon the railroad stations at Metz-Sablon, Avricourt and Roze; upon munitions depots at Blacourt and Chapelette; on bivouacs in the vicinity of Amance, and on the village of Jimetz, where there had been installed the headquarters of the commandant of an important division. Furthermore, two of our dirigibles have rained down bombs on the railway lines at Brulles and Dun."

Battle Enters Fourth Month.

The battle of Verdun, the longest and most bitterly contested individual